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Sir:

A three (3) month extension of time, to and including March 26, 2003, is requested for response to the Patent Office Communication of September 26, 2002.

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